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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re U.S. Patent Application of)
AIZAWA et al.) Art Unit 2655
Application Number: 10/782,925) Examiner Dieu Minh T. LE
Filed: February 23, 2004)
For: DISK ARRAY SYSTEM AND A METHOD OF)
AVOIDING FAILURE OF THE DISK ARRAY)
SYSTEM)
Attorney Docket No. HITA.0522)

Honorable Assistant Commissioner
for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

COVER LETTER

Sir:

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Total Claims	20	20	-XX (Over 20)	x \$50	0
Independent Claims	3	3	-XX (Over 3)	x \$200	0
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S)				+ \$360	0
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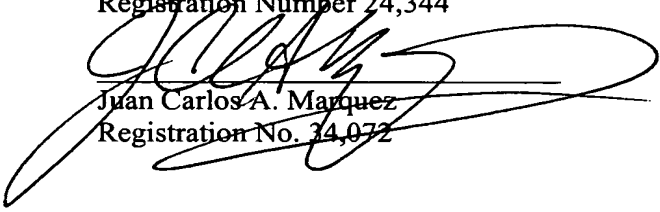
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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated August 22, 2005 and the phone call with the Examiner on September 21, 2005, the period for response to which is set to expire on November 22, 2005. Please amend the above-identified application as follows: